



A Stitch In Time

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February 2023

Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As your current president, I would like to again welcome our new and returning members. Your Executive continues to plan an exciting quilting year for you. We are always open to suggestions from our members so be sure to let us know what you would like to see happen.

Our guilds experiment with hybrid meetings continues to be working out. It is nice to see everyone in-person, and zoom makes it comfortable for members who are still wary of being in closed places with people. There is no provincial mask mandate, and the guild did not set a mask mandate for in-person meetings, but each member must do whatever they are comfortable with. March 2023 will start our first in-person meeting.

Speaking of our Quilt Show, your guild can finally plan an in-person show. By the time you have read this our Committee will have already had its first meeting so plans will be well underway. Thank you to our members who volunteered to chair a committee. There are a few empty spots to be filled so please give it some serious thought about helping your guilds 2023 Quilt Show become the great show it has been in the past. This is no small job. So please support them when they ask for help. I know selling raffle tickets is not everyone's cup of tea - but the guild is very dependent on the money we raise from ticket sales. Our membership money does not cover anywhere near the guild expenses unless you want to pay very high membership fees our raffle quilt raises money so we are able to offer great programs at our guild meetings, workshops from acclaimed quilters, as well monies go to support the many local charities we support. If you don't like asking people to buy your tickets maybe you could think of a festival or event to bring the raffle quilt and with the quilt on display the tickets will sell themselves.

Your executive has been working to find us a new home where we can have comfortable meetings and a place to store our library. Hurray, we found one! Your guild has confirmed our new home is the Picton United Church Hall. See you there in March.

Thank you for your continued support.

I am proud to be a part of this group.

Christine Hays

President



Quilt Show Report:

Just to refresh everyone's memory, our A Stitch In Time 2023 Quilt Show is booked for this year on Sat. July 8, 2023 from 10am to 5pm, and Sun. July 9, 2023 from 10am to 4pm. Our Quilt Show is one of those "hidden gems", drawing admirers from far afield. Why? Because we will fill the Wellington and District Community Centre's Highline Hall with merchants, and the huge arena space will be filled with member quilts, Boutique items, Guest Artists, and invited guest booths.

The Prince Edward District Women's Institute offers tasty sandwiches and treats for sale at their café. If your diet allows, please show your support by purchasing your lunch from them in between working your various shifts.

On the second day of the show our Path of Stars Raffle Quilt winner will be drawn at 3pm.

We will have had a 5 year hiatus since our last show in 2018. As a result of this long wait some of our then cancelled 2020 Show Committee members have moved on to other interests and priorities leaving several job openings. Specifically we need help now with Advertising, Chairing the Admissions area, and distributing rack cards. Please let me know directly if you are interested.

Maggie Goode and Judy Blemkie have stepped forward to find volunteers to work the various jobs during the show's set up, take down, and the actual show itself. There are many tasks, we have many members, I am sure there is a job that will suit you and your schedule. There will be sign up sheets at our March in person meeting. Please sign up to work as many shifts as you are able.

You can register your quilts online now, day or night. Consider having one of your quilts judged. The critique you receive back is invaluable, and you may win a ribbon for your efforts too! You can sell your quilt if you wish! Remember that any Challenge completed since the 2018 Show may be registered as well.

This event will be PECQG's 19th Quilt Show!

Submitted by Janet Reader Day

PECQG 2023 Quilt Show Chair

The new rack cards for the show. Please see Janet for distribution instructions.

Prince Edward County
Quilters' Guild Presents

QUILT SHOW 2023



A Stitch in Time

Sat July 8th
10 - 5
Sun July 9
10 - 4

ADMISSION \$8

Wellington and District
Community Centre
Lehigh Arena
111 Belleville Street
Wellington, ON

FREE PARKING

Prince Edward County
Quilters' Guild

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The County FOUNDATION The County

www.pecqguild.weebly.com

QUILT SHOW 2023

Demonstrations
An Arena Full of Quilts
Guest Artists
PEDWI Café
Quilt Sales
Judged Quilt Section
Raffle Quilt
Members' Boutique
Mobile Sharpening Service
Vintage Sewing Machines
Merchants' Mall



Lehigh Arena
PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY



WELLINGTON Lehigh Arena
LAKE ONTARIO

Bus Groups are eligible for
25% discount on Admission.
For details please email us!
pecqguild@gmail.com

THE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!

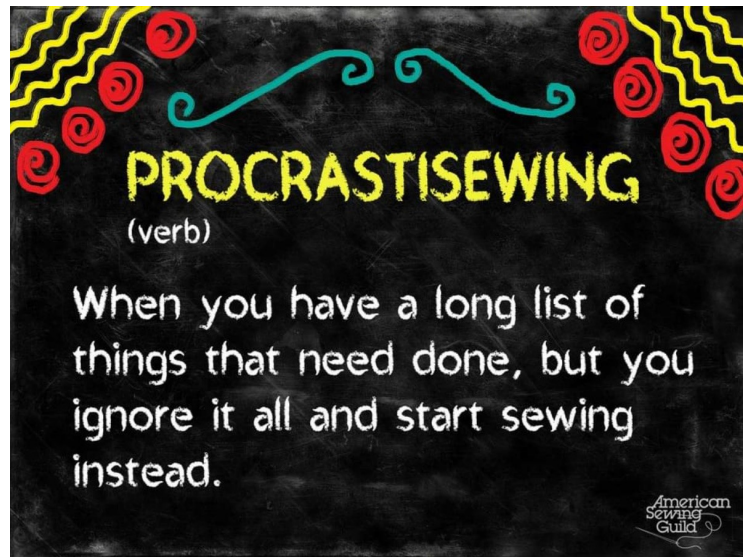
Ok, so you are probably saying I don't know about constitutions! Well, you don't need to! You just need to know about our Guild and the work that we do. This is a great opportunity to become familiar with our Guild's guidelines.

We will probably start in March, in person if possible, otherwise it will have to be on zoom.

I am also asking Committee Conveners to check their job description in the Constitution and get back to me if changes need to be made.

Thank you to Judy Blemkie and Colleen Kelly for volunteering to sit on this committee.

Submitted by Maggie Goode



The Quilt Show Boutique needs you!

Remember to keep sewing your items, the boutique is waiting for you!



We donated 98 completed placemats to the CCS PEC meals-on-wheels program.

In the photo, from Left to Right, Christine Hays, Hanne Simoes, Tia from Community Care for Seniors.

Comfort Quilts delivered five quilts to the dialysis unit last week. Hannelise talked about “Angel Quilts”, distributed to children in dire need.

Some I Spy quilts were given to Children’s Aid.



RAFFLE QUILT COMMITTEE

The PECQG Raffle Quilt is done and ready to win for some lucky person. As usual, it was a collaboration of many hands. The committee members are Christine Hays, Janet Reader Day, Rosanna Worden Hawker, Nancy Westervelt, Jane Perry, Maggie Goode, Deelia Johnson, Barbara Jordan. We enlisted other members to make some star blocks. These members are Anne House, Geraldine Rorabeck, Nancy Hicks, Patricia Fullerton, Betty Beaumont and Colleen Kelly. Janet assembled the quilt top and Nancy did the binding. Deanna Gaudaur long arm quilted it and Mike Gaudaur photographed it. The tickets are \$3 for one and \$5 for two and they will be available to members at the June meeting.

Submitted by Christine Hays



A sneak peak at the quilt back!



Quilts for Survivors Guest Artist Booth at our upcoming Quilt Show

Background Information: During the summer of 2021, unmarked graves were discovered at the site of a residential school in Kamloops, BC. In response, Vanessa Génier, a Cree woman in Timmins, decided to make eighteen quilts for survivors of residential schools. She started a Facebook group and CQA published her appeal for quilt blocks in their monthly newsletter. The response was overwhelming. Quilts for Survivors is now a registered non-profit and has distributed almost 2500 quilts. Quilts for Survivors Guest Artist Booth at the PEC Quilt Show Vanessa (the founder of QFS) will send us literature and we will have a member from Tyendinaga at the booth. The objective is to encourage quilters who come to the show to help make quilts for survivors. We will need beautiful quilts to display in the booth. After the show, we will send the quilts to residential school survivors.

How to Help • Make some 8.5", 12.5", or 16.5" blocks in one of the following colour schemes: – Fall colours – Blues and greens • Stars, bear paws, flying geese are great! OR • Make a top 48 x 64 inches or slightly larger, any colour scheme OR • Make a lap quilt, any colour scheme • In North American Indigenous cultures, gifting a blanket is a gesture of respect. • Quilts are lap quilts with a minimum size of 48" by 64". • 'Standard' blocks are 16.5" square. Twelve standard blocks make a quilt. • The colour orange, indigenous themes, and Canadian animals are particularly appreciated. Flying geese and star quilt blocks are excellent. Bear Paw blocks have become the unofficial block of Quilts for survivors. • Fabric with religious, school, or travel themes is not allowed as it could re-traumatize recipients.

This is a 'standard' QFS made of twelve 16.5" blocks. It was made by two people and they agreed on a colour palette beforehand. The tree, feather, and star blocks and the colour orange give this quilt a 'QFS feel'.

You can use large HST blocks (6.5") and make a top very quickly. Quilterscache.com has lots of star patterns. The one below is a carpenter's wheel block. Add a border or motif along the top and/or bottom to make the top 48" x 64".



Lorna Constantini is offering a free pattern at <https://payhip.com/b/gcJN>

Canadian Animals -You can add animals using fabric or pieced blocks. Bears and turtles are particular favourites. Turtles are part of the creation story in many tribes. There are spirit animals, clan animals, and animals associated with the Seven Grandfather Teaching.

For more information Contact Marianne Sanders

Visit <https://www.quiltsforsurvivors.ca> • Join the Quilts for Survivors Facebook Group

Block Patterns to Search for: ● Quilters Cache Rising Star ● Quilters Cache Ohio Star ● Quilters Cache Cluster of Stars ● Quilters Cache Denise Star



This quilt has animals, feathers, stars, flying geese, and bear paws – perfect for a QFS.

Animals associated with the seven grandfather teachings:

Eagle – love

Turtle – truth

Beaver – wisdom

Buffalo – respect

Wolf – humility

Bear - courage



There are panels and fabric designed by indigenous artists.



Quilt by Barbara Jordan

SEWING WITH YOUR FRIENDS

Did you know? The Guild has acquired a ZOOM licence to ensure that Sewing With Your Friends (as well as meetings and workshops etc.) can continue virtually. It is always fun see what others are working on and what is on their design walls!

Please join us for the next SWYF on Monday, February 20, 2023. Sessions start at 10 a.m., be sure to watch for the email link. Contact Colleen Young if you have any questions.

COMFORT QUILT WORKDAY

A reminder that there are comfort quilt workdays usually on the last Thursday of each month from 9:30-2:30 at Bloomfield United Church. We will be working on a particular project, most recently the "I SPY" quilts or feel free to bring any comfort quilt project you are presently working on.

Please bring your sewing machine, scissors, rotary cutter, pins, thread, etc. As well, please bring a mask and any food or beverage you would like to have. Come for all or any part of the day!

Please let Hanne know at 647-220-8381 or hannelisesimoes@mac.com if you plan on attending.

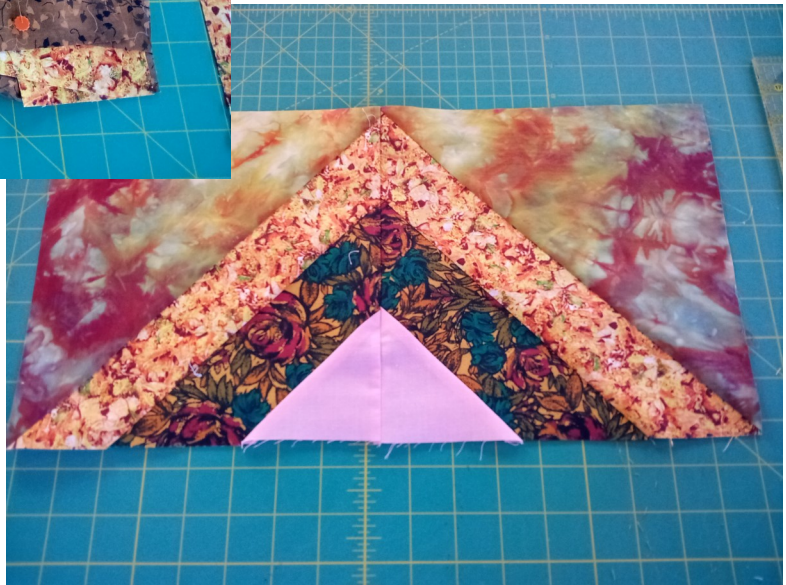
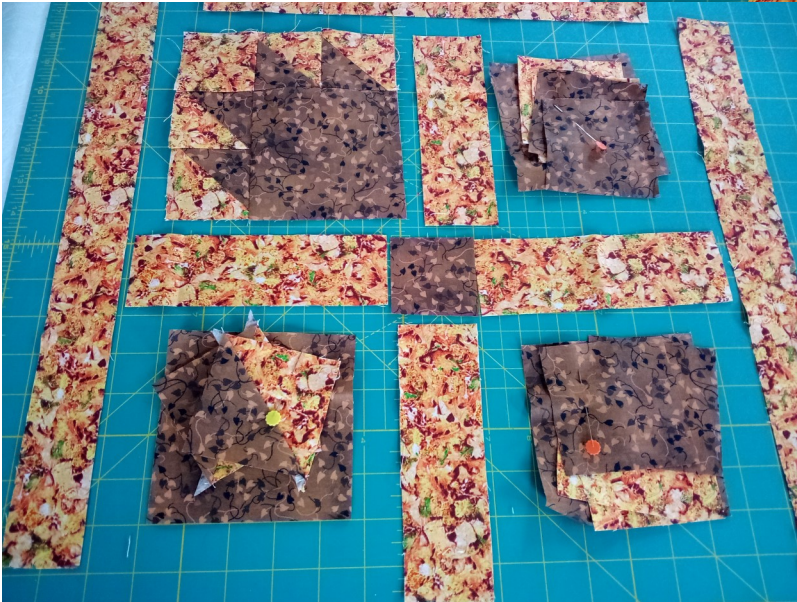
Thank you,

Hanne

(Comfort Quilt Committee Chair)



Colette's completed Bear Paw!
Beautiful Block!



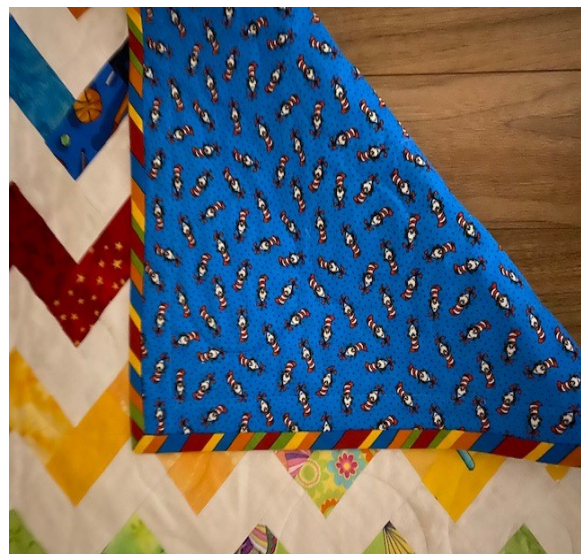
BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The BOM is extending an open invitation for suggestions or ideas: your favorite block, a skill you want to practice, or changes that would improve the BOM. Please send your suggestions to Colette.

Submitted by Colette Lancaster



Show and Share-
Patricia Fullerton



February Program: Audrey Esarey of Cotton & Bourbon

Audrey presented a very interesting lecture on her journey as a Modern Quilter, titled “Finding My Voice In Modern Quilting”. She lives in Kentucky (the bourbon capital of the world!). She has been quilting since 2005, when her (now) mother-in-law got her started with a class. She loves sewing curves, and uses spiral quilting to great effect. She dyes her own fabric now to get just the colours she wants. She loves gradation in colour. Some of her inspiration comes from Caryl Bryer Fallert Gentry, Jonathan Lawes (a screen print artist), and Nancy Crow. She had two quilts accepted into QuiltCon in 2018/19.

Her quilt “Offset” got to tour with “Best of QuiltCon”. Offset is what she calls a radial quilt that started from a two-colour challenge. That quilt actually set her on a course of quilting in a series. She has won several awards at shows.

Audrey with her
Unique Offset
Radial Quilt





Show and Share by Hannelise Simoes—
Wow in any language!!

January Show and
Share by Sarah Roberts



President's Challenge—Garden Inspiration

Technique: Any technique is allowed.

Size: Bed quilt - circumference no greater than 360 inches

Wall quilt - circumference no greater than 150 inches

You may enter both categories. You must include a description of the inspiration for your quilt. You must include credit where credit is due, including pattern name and creator, the name of the quilter and the technique used (ie long arm, domestic machine, etc), and anyone else who assisted you.

Deadline is the May 2023 guild meeting. Have fun!



Quilt by Romany Cooper

Wallhanging by Mary Andrews Minigan



INTERNET COMMUNICATIONS

The Guild has a varied presence on the web.

- The Guild website <https://pecguild.weebly.com/> presents information for members and those seeking information about us
- The Guild Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/PECQuiltGuild> @PECQuiltGuild announces events such as Guild meetings, Sewing with your Friends, and Comfort Quilt work days
- The Guild online store <https://prince-edward-county-quilters-guild.square.site/> sells tickets to lectures and workshops
- The QuiltsInTheCounty Instagram feed and Facebook page @quiltsinthecounty <https://www.instagram.com/quiltsinthecounty/?hl=en> were started to build a following among people interested in Prince Edward County and/or quilts so that we would have an audience to which to promote our quilt show. A typical post features an outdoor picture of a quilt in a county landscape. Now that we have a following, we are using the platform to promote ticket sales for our lectures and workshops.

We also use our internet presence to cooperate with other guilds in cross-promoting events.

Please help us by sending outdoor pics of your quilts to Barbara at pecguild.webmaster@gmail.com.

Barbara Jordan
PECQG Webmaster

Festival of Trees

The 2022 Festival of Trees raised over \$60,000 for medical equipment for our own County Hospital.

The quilt donated by the guild added an amazing \$500.00!

The quilt pattern is called 'Makin' New Friends' by Deb Strain.

Gail Fox constructed the top.

Janet Reader Day top stitched, bound, and added a label to the quilt.

The Moda fabric came from the Mary Pease donation.



Show and Share by Frauke
Lentsch

Show and Share by Kathleen Pollock



2022-23 GUILD EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

PresidentChristine Hays
Vice PresidentVacant
Past PresidentJanet Reader Day
Treasurer.....Maggie Goode
Secretary.....Sarah Roberts

2022-23 STANDING COMMITTEES

Block-of-the Month...Colette Lancaster
Challenges.....Robyn Hardman (Chair), Barbara Jordan,
Lee Waterhouse
Comfort Quilts.....Hanne-Lise Simoes (Chair), Brogan
Courtney (Co-chair), Colleen Kelly, Betty Beaumont
GoodwillPatricia Fullerton
HospitalityNancy Westervelt (Chair)
Internet Communication & PublicityBarbara Jordan
Library.....Kathie Oliver (Chair), Audrey Tomick (Co-
chair), Sandy Jeapes, Colleen Young
Membership.....Nancy Westervelt (Chair)
Newsletter.....Lisa Castonguay
Programs..... Barbara Jordan (Chair), Janet Reader Day
Workshops..... Barbara Jordan (Chair), Frauke Lentsch
Sewing with Your Friends Colleen Young (hosted by
Zoom)
Quilt Show Chair..... Janet Reader-Day

BITS AND PIECES

Please check frequently for new information and pictures on our web-site, additional information for upcoming workshops and programs is posted regularly.

Remember to support our local quilt shops and fabric stores, we need them and they need us! Buy Local!

A big thank you to everyone who sent in articles and pictures for this edition of the newsletter. I tried to include as many as space allowed, if I missed an item please let me know.

Suggestions and articles for the next newsletter can be sent to Lisa Castonguay, edgewaterquilts@gmail.com. Thank you!

Stay creative and keep on quilting!

Lisa



AIMS AND OBJECTIVES DIRECTING OUR GUILD

- To enhance the knowledge of quilting within the group and the community.
 - To preserve quilting as an art form.
- To establish, maintain and upgrade quilting standards.
 - To encourage an exchange of ideas and methods.
 - To participate in community projects.
- To research and preserve the history of quilting in Prince Edward County and surrounding area.